



**Illinois Department  
of Transportation**

**Permit for Limited Operation of  
Oversize/Overweight Vehicles and  
Combinations Over State Highways**

**Movement to Derailment Sites Only  
During Emergency Situations**

Illinois Permit \_\_\_\_\_ issued to:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

License No. (if loaded) \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. (mobile crane) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Authorizes the Movement of:**

Make \_\_\_\_\_

Model \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Load \_\_\_\_\_

Width 12 feet or less Length 110 feet or less Height Legal No. of Axles \_\_\_\_\_

Gross Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Front Axle or Tandem \_\_\_\_\_ Rear Axle or Tandem \_\_\_\_\_

Boom Dolly Tandem (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Effective \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_ Fee \$500.00

**One escort vehicle is required for all moves during hours of darkness. Vehicles or loads of legal width, 8'-6" or less, are exempt from this requirement. Please attach axle configurations.**

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This permit authorizes the movement of the vehicle or combination described in detail above, not to exceed the dimensions listed and shall be used to move to the site of a train derailment. Return trips are subject to standard permit issuance. Movement is valid on the system of state highways under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation only. This includes all marked and unmarked routes with the following condition: The Permittee is required to move only on the state routes marked as "red" or "green" as depicted in the publication entitled "Illinois Overheight and Overweight Permit Routes." Movement of vehicles or combinations over routes not shown with a red or green overlay shall be in violation of this permit and subject to a fine and/or arrest. All movements must be made strictly in compliance with the provisions set forth on the reverse side of this document applying as if fully written herein. This permit must be carried in the vehicle and must be available for inspection by police or department officials. This permit may not be transferred, extended or altered.

**Note:** Refer to "General Provisions" on reverse of this form.

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Permit Engineer - Illinois Department of Transportation

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

**LOCATIONS WHERE PERMIT IS NOT VALID.** The permit is not valid on any highway or bridge posted for a load limit less than the gross weight of the move, on any highway closed to traffic, and on any highway not maintained by the Department of Transportation. The right to use highways other than those specified is neither implied nor granted. The permittee must obtain permission from the proper local authority to use local streets or highways or from the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority if over the Tollway.

**RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENTS:** All movements made under authority of permits not specifying routes shall exercise due caution to prevent unauthorized use of any structure, highway, temporary route detour, runaround or turnaround. Posted maximum width, height, speed, gross weight or other restrictions shall be observed.

**RIGHT-OF-WAY DURING MOVEMENT:** Insofar as practicable, movements shall be confined to a single traffic lane and shall be made in such a manner that the rest of the roadway will be open at all times so the flow of other traffic will not unnecessarily be obstructed. Also, insofar as practicable, other traffic will be given the right-of-way over this movement. The driver shall remove the vehicle from the roadway when necessary to allow an accumulation of traffic to pass or when so directed by a police officer.

**SPEED:** Maximum speed shall be 45 m.p.h. on all permit movements or 5 m.p.h. above the minimum posted speed limit, **Except** when otherwise specified in the permit. Legal weight, legal height movements up to and including 10 feet wide are allowed to travel at the legal maximum speed limit.

**LEGAL HEIGHT MOVEMENTS:** Permit authority is not required for the movement of vehicle(s), inclusive of load, not exceeding the legal height limitation of 13 feet 6 inches as established in Chapter 15, The Illinois Vehicle Code. Therefore, no action is taken by the Department, either separately or in conjunction with authorizing an otherwise oversize or overweight movement, to ensure adequate clearance of structures for a vehicle(s), inclusive of load, not exceeding 13 feet 6 inches overall height.

**PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LIABILITY:** The grantee assumes all responsibility for injury to persons or damage to public or private property, including his own, caused directly or indirectly by the transportation of vehicles or vehicles and objects authorized under this permit. The grantee agrees to hold the State of Illinois harmless from all suits, claims, damages or proceedings of any kind and to indemnify the State of Illinois for any claim it may be required to pay arising from the movement.

**LIABILITY INSURANCE:** Owners and/or operators of escort vehicles or vehicles with oversize loads exceeding 10 feet in width, 13 feet 6 inches in height, 110 feet in length or overweight must have in effect or be self-insured in the minimum amount of \$500,000 per occurrence combined bodily injury or property damage.

**RED FLAGS:** The extremities of all oversize vehicles, vehicle combinations or loads, and all protruding objects shall be marked with clean red flags not less than 18 inches square.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS OVERDIMENSION

**ESCORT VEHICLES:** One escort vehicle will be required on all loads more than 14 feet 6 inches wide. A pole for measuring vertical clearance shall be mounted on the lead escort vehicle for moves in excess of 14 feet 6 inches in height. An escort vehicle may be a passenger car, or a second division vehicle not exceeding a gross vehicle weight of 8000 pounds that is designed to afford clear and unobstructed vision both front and rear. Escort vehicles shall display red flags at the extremities, display "OVER SIZE LOAD" signs, be equipped with an operating rotating or flashing amber light mounted on top, and be operated by properly licensed operators at least 18 years of age. The driver of the escort vehicle must be in radio contact with the driver of the permit vehicle.

**OVERLENGTH OBJECTS:** Movements of objects over 80 feet in length shall be equipped with two operating, flashing amber lights -- one over the cab of the vehicle; the other within 10 feet of the rear of the object, mounted as high as practicable over it.

### Disclaimer:

In issuing the permit for oversize movements, the Department has determined that posted clearances are greater at those points than the height or width of the vehicle and load stated to the Department. However, due to variations in length of vehicles, inclines, curve radii, and other road conditions and factors, the Permittee cannot assume that the posted height or width is adequate for the movement. It is also the responsibility of the permittee, when not in conformance with Section 5/11-1203(a) of the Vehicle Code, to inspect all railroad grade crossings for clearance along the permitted route prior to a move. The permittee waives liability of the Department should posted height or width or railroad grade crossing clearance prove inadequate, assumes sole responsibility, and indemnifies the Department for damages.